



MEMORANDUM

TO: Indiana School Superintendents, Curriculum Supervisors, and Principals

FROM: Dr. Tony Bennett, Superintendent of Public Instruction
Dr. Stacey Hughes, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning
Dr. Schauna Findlay, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

DATE: April 22, 2010

SUBJECT: Seeking Curriculum Mapping Participants

In preparation for our adoption of and transition to the Common Core State Standards for English/language arts and mathematics, the IDOE will be working with expert teachers and content experts from districts and universities to develop curriculum maps. The curriculum maps will be housed on the IDOE Web site for teachers to use as a starting point to plan their instruction. The first set of maps, which will be available in August of 2010, will contain the current Indiana Standards. The second set of maps will include both the Indiana Standards and the Common Core State Standards. The maps will allow teachers to more smoothly transition from one set of standards to the other while ensuring any content gaps between the standards are addressed. These maps will be available in the spring of 2011. The third set of maps will include only the Common Core State Standards. Training on curriculum mapping and on the Common Core Standards will be part of the roll-out process.

Please forward the attached application to expert teachers in English/language arts and mathematics who have demonstrated high student achievement, have experience curriculum mapping, and who are dedicated to sharing their expertise with others to ensure excellent education for all children. From the applications, participants will be selected to develop the first set of curriculum maps this summer.

The application needs to be completed and returned by May 3, 2010. Questions about this process may be directed to Schauna Findlay, Ph.D., Director of Curriculum and Instruction, at 317 232-9141 or at sfindlay@doe.in.gov